Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer)*: I do not think that question arises.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur)*: This question arises. I have asked for a caste-war list.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri)*: Is this Dr. V. K. Kumaran the brother of the Hon'ble Member?

Mr. President: No information on that point.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development)*: Small-pox is a serious thing. The C. M. O. was asked to select the best man who was willing to work. Some may not like this sort of work. I asked him to select immediately a person who was willing for this work and only those who are willing could be posted there.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur)*: Names of persons were called for, for this purpose and I said four persons applied from the General Hospital. They belong to different communities. In making this appointment neither seniority nor merit was counted. That is my case.

GENERAL HOSPITAL—ADMISSION OF VISITORS

100. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur)*: Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that visitors are admitted without pass into the General Hospital, Ernakulam, at no time of the day; and if so,

(*b*) will the Government be pleased to stop that system?

Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer)*: (*a*) Visitors are not allowed into the hospital at any time of day without pass.

(*b*) No.

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